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In re Patent No. 6,338,210  
Issue Date: January 15, 2002  
Application No. 09/377,929  
Filed: August 20, 1999  
Title: Removal of Accumulated Material

## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.377

This is in response to the decision mailed Sep 30, 2010 on the "PETITION TO ACCEPT PREVIOUS PAYMENT OF MAINTENANCE FEE", filed July 12, 2010, which is properly treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.377.

The petition was DISMISSED, but Patentee has been given TWO (2) MONTHS to file a request for reconsideration under 37 CFR 1.377. This request for reconsideration is accompanied by the \$70 balance for the fee and this cover letter entitled titled "Request for Reconsideration Under 37 CFR 1.377.

The above-identified patent issued on January 15, 2002. Therefore, the window for paying the second maintenance fee extended from January 15, 2009 to July 15, 2009 without surcharge, and from July 16, 2009 to January 15, 2010, with surcharge.

Patentee sent with his prior Petition the following:

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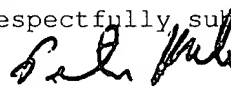
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Petitioner believes that the above constitute proof that he timely filed the maintenance fee and surcharge in full, to a **correct address**, prior to the expiration date of the patent.

Receipt of the \$1,240 maintenance fee and \$65 surcharge, submitted with the instant petition, is acknowledged. Petitioner believes that a grantable petition has been under 37 CFR 1.377 or 37 CFR 1.378(b) or 1.378(c), and he requests reinstatement of the patent.

Respectfully submitted,



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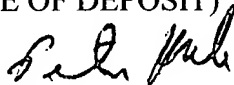
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